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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION :

FOR LICENSURE OF

Administrative Action

SHAKERA M. HOSANG

TO PRACTICE AS A

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE

IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of Shakera M. Hosang's application for licensure by examination as a Licensed Practical Nurse, including certification and authorization for a criminal history background check. The criminal history background check revealed that the applicant was arrested on October 30, 2007, by members of the New Jersey Transit Police, Newark, New Jersey, and charged with violating N.J.S.A. 2C:20-8A (Theft of Services) and N.J.S.A. 2C:1-1 (Forgery). On December 14, 2007, the downgraded charge of

violating N.J.S.A. 2C:20-4A (Theft by Deception) was dismissed and the applicant was found guilty of local ordinance violations and assessed fines and costs totaling two hundred and thirty-three dollars (\$233).

The applicant failed to disclose the arrest on her application for licensure, answering "No" to the question which asked "Have you ever been summoned; arrested; taken into custody; indicted; tried; charged with; admitted into pre-trial intervention (P.T.I.); or pled guilty to any violation of law, ordinance, felony, misdemeanor or disorderly persons offense, in New Jersey, any other state, the District of Columbia or in any other jurisdiction?" The application also failed to disclose the conviction on her application for licensure, answering "No" to the question which asked "Have you ever been convicted of any crime or offense under any circumstances? This includes, but is not limited to, a plea of guilty, non vult, nolo contendere, no contest, or a finding of guilt by a judge or jury."

After the Board requested more information concerning the applicant's criminal history, the applicant explained that she had purchased a bus pass from a friend, did not know that it was a fake, and was arrested when she attempted to use it. She acknowledges that she pled guilty and paid a fine, but didn't

think she had to disclose it because it was not a felony.

The Board finds that the applicant used dishonesty, deception, or misrepresentation in not disclosing her arrest and conviction on her application, which constitutes a violation of $N.J.S.A.\ 45:1-21(b)$.

The Board having reviewed this matter, and having considered the nature and timing of the above conduct, and the parties desiring to resolve this matter, and the Board having determined that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public, in lieu of further proceedings, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this day of NOVEMBER, 2014
HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

- 1. Shakera M. Hosang's application for licensure by examination as a Licensed Practical Nurse shall be granted upon payment of the civil penalty herein imposed.
- 2. A civil penalty in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) is hereby imposed upon the applicant for failing to disclose her arrest and conviction on her application. Payment shall be made by certified check, bank cashier check, or money order payable to "State of New Jersey" submitted with this signed Consent Order, or by wire transfer, direct deposit, or credit card payment delivered or mailed to George Hebert, Executive

Director, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101. Any other form of payment will be rejected and will be returned to the party making the payment.

3. The applicant shall obey all the laws of the State of New Jersey, the United States and their political subdivisions, as well as all regulations, rules or laws pertaining to the practice of nursing in any State or jurisdiction in which she practices nursing.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

Bv:

Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN

Board President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms.

Shakera M Hosang